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SUBJECT: IRC PROGRAM IN THAILAND

1. THE INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE (IRC) RENDERED
SUBSTANTIAL MEDICAL SERVICES TO INDOCHINESE REFUGEES IN
THAILAND IN 1976. THIS ACTIVITY WAS FUNDED BY IRC ORIGIN-
ALLY ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT IT WOULD BE A SHORT TERM PRO-
GRAM. AS IT BECOMES INCREASINGLY EVIDENT THAT THE CASE
LOAD OF THESE REFUGEES IN THAILAND WILL CONTINUE TO BE
VERY LARGE, IRC IS SEEKING ASSISTANCE IN FUNDING THIS
PROGRAM.

2. IRC INITIALLY SUBMITTED THE PROGRAM FOR CONSIDERATION
FOR AID FUNDING. THIS WAS, HOWEVER, FOUND INAPPROPRIATE
SINCE THE BULK OF THE PROGRAM WAS FOR MEDICAL MAINTENANCE
OF THE REFUGEES AND, THUS, NOT DEVELOPMENTAL IN
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NATURE.

3. THE DEPARTMENT, HOWEVER, BELIEVES THAT THIS PROGRAM
SERVICES AN IMPORTANT NEED OF THE REFUGEES WHICH WOULD
HAVE TO BE FUNDED BY OTHER MEANS IF THE CURRENTLY ON GOING
IRC PROGRAM WERE TO BE CURTAILED. WE UNDERSTAND THAT IRC
IS CURRENTLY PROVIDING MEDICAL MAINTENANCE TO ABOUT 60 OF

THE REFUGEES IN THAILAND. WE ALSO NOTE THAT THE PROGRAM PROPOSED FOR CY 1977 INCLUDES PROVISIONS FOR THE TRAINING OF 40 PARAMEDICS. THIS ITEM WOULD BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INCREASING ATTENTION BEING GIVEN BY UNHCR TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROJECTS FOR THE REFUGEES IN THAILAND.

4. WE HAVE RECOMMENDED TO IRC THAT THEY SUBMIT THEIR PROPOSAL TO UNHCR FOR POSSIBLE FUNDING BY UNHCR AS A PART OF THE OVERALL CARE AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR INDOCHINESE REFUGEES IN THAILAND.

5. REQUEST U.S. MISSION (HA) CONVEY SUBSTANCE OF ABOVE TO UNHCR ALONG WITH A COPY OF IRC'S CY 1977 BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR THIS PROGRAM WHICH IS TRANSMITTED BELOW. WE HOPE UNHCR WILL AGREE THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS PROGRAM BE CONTINUED AND WILL INCLUDE IT IN UNHCR ACTIVITIES IN THAILAND FOR CY 1977. IF SO, WE WOULD EARMARK PART OF OUR NEXT CONTRIBUTION TO UNHCR FOR ASSISTANCE TO INDOCHINESE REFUGEES TO COVER THIS EXPENSE. AS IRC REP EXPECTS TO VISIT GENEVA ABOUT FEBRUARY 6, REQUEST PRELIMINARY UNHCR REACTION ASAP.

6. "1977 BUDGET PROPOSAL: IRC MEDICAL PROGRAM THAILAND"
(IN U.S. DOLLARS)

I. MEDICAL SALARIES, HOUSING, TRAVEL, SUPPLIES

A. SALARIES, NON-THAI PERSONNEL:

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SIX MEDICAL DOCTORS AT SALARIES
NOT TO EXCEED 14,000 DOLS. PER
ANNUM..... 72,000

SIX NURSES AND MEDICAL TECHNICIANS
AT SALARIES NOT TO EXCEED
12,000 DOLS PER ANNUM..... 60,000

-- SUBTOTAL 132,000

B. SALARIES, REFUGEE MEDICAL PERSONNEL:

MONG KHAI REFUGEE AREA 7,200
CHANTABURI AND TRAT REFUGEE AREAS..... 1,800
NAN REFUGEE AREA..... 3,600
ARANYAPRATHET AND SIKIEW REFUGEE AREAS. 2,100
.....SUBTOTAL..... 14,700

C. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (PRIMARILY
INSURANCE PREMIUMS)..... 12,000

D. HOUSING FOR MEDICAL PERSONNEL
IN THAILAND..... 20,000

E. MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES
(PURCHASE AND DISTRIBUTION)..... 10,000

F. INTERNAL TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR
MEDICAL PERSONNEL..... 12,000

G. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL..... 12,000

TOTAL MEDICAL SALARIES, HOUSING, TRAVEL,
SUPPLIES..... 212,700

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II. TRAINING PROGRAM

A. CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITY WITH
ELECTRICAL CAPACITY TO POWER A
SLIDE PROJECTOR, LIGHTS
AND FANS.....1,800

B. PURCHASE OF 40 WOODEN DESK-
CHAIRS, BLACKBOARDS, FILING
CABINETS, PAPER, PENCILS..... 400

C. TALC (TRAINING AIDS AT LOW
COST) SYSTEM ON 25 MEDICAL
TOPICS..... 350

D. SALARY OF CHIEF ADMINISTRA-
TOR AND INSTRUCTOR 14,000

E. HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION
FOR CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR..... 5,000

F. STIPENDS FOR 40 STUDENTS AT
400 BAHT A MONTH..... 9,600

G. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM
CENTER..... 1,200

H. MICROSCOPES, STETHOSCOPES,
ETC. FOR TRAINING PURPOSES.... 2,400

I. FILM PROJECTOR, FILM SCREEN,

GENERATOR, ETC..... 2,500

TOTAL TRAINING PROGRAM..... 37,250

III. ADMINISTRATIVE AND OVERHEAD

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EXPENSES (TO BE CONTRIBUTED
BY IRC)

A. SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF
BANGKOK COORDINATOR AND
BANGKOK STAFF..... 17,000

B. OFFICE AND HOUSING,
BANGKOK..... 3,000

C. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES..... 3,000

D. OVERHEAD ON OPG PROGRAM, ESTI-
MATED AT 35 OF SALARIES,
STIPENDS AND EMPLOYEE BENE-
FITS..... 70,000

TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND OVER-
HEAD EXPENSES..... 93,000

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED
BY NON-IRC SOURCE..... 249,950

TOTAL IRC CONTRIBUTION,
1977..... 93,000

.....GRAND TOTAL..... 342,950

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